

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 8, 9, 11, 18 and 20-24, please cancel claim 10, and please add claim 26, as indicated below.

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a device; and

a leak diversion device comprising a slanted surface positioned to contact fluid released from the device at a location not viewable to a user of the device, wherein the fluid on the slanted surface flows down the slanted surface to a predetermined location external to the leak diversion device and viewable by [[a]] the user of the device; and

a permeable surface coupled to the leak diversion device to allow fluid from the device to flow through the permeable surface onto the slanted surface.

2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the leak diversion device is coupled to the device.

3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein at least part of the slanted surface rests on a support to angle the slanted surface.

4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the device is selected from a group consisting of a dishwasher, refrigerator, sink, ice-maker, pipe, pump, storage container, and air conditioner.

5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the device is at least partially supported by the leak diversion device.

6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein the slanted surface is placed inside a pallet that is at least partially supporting the device.

7. (Original) The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the slanted surface is attached to at least part of the pallet.

8. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, ~~further comprising a surface coupled to the leak diversion device that has at least one hole wherein the permeable surface comprises a plurality of holes~~ to allow a fluid from the device to flow through at least one of the ~~at least one~~ holes onto the slanted surface.

9. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the permeable surface supports at least a part of the device.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim ~~[[10]]~~ 1, wherein the permeable surface supports at least a part of the device.

12. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein at least one side of the leak diversion device supports at least part of the weight of the device.

13. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a dye tab coupled to the slanted surface, wherein the dye tab changes a color of a fluid in contact with the dye.

14. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the dye tab is positioned in the leak diversion device according to the color of the dye in the dye tab, wherein the fluid contacting the dye tab changes color and the color of the fluid indicates to a user an approximate location in the leak diversion device that the fluid flowed from respective to the location of the dye tab with the dye that colored the fluid.

15. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the dye is in a powder form.

16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the dye tab reacts with a fluid to change the color of the fluid relative to the reaction.

17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a hose coupled to the leak diversion device to divert fluid from the slanted surface to a location outside the leak diversion device.

18. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:

providing a leak diversion device comprising a slanted surface underneath a device; and

the leak detection device receiving fluid leaked from the device, wherein the fluid is leaked from the device at a location not viewable to a user of the device;
and

diverting the fluid in contact with the leak diversion device along the slanted surface to a location external to the leak detection device that is visible to [[a]] the user of the device.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18, further comprising dyeing the fluid on the slanted surface using a dye tab to increase the visibility of the fluid.

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein said receiving fluid leaked from the device ~~the leak diversion device~~ comprises receiving the fluid through a substantially flat surface with at least one hole above the slanted surface, wherein the substantially flat surface supports at least a part of the device and at least one hole of the at least one hole allows a fluid from the device to fall through the substantially flat surface to contact the slanted surface beneath.

21. (Currently amended) A leak diversion device, comprising:

a pallet comprising an upper surface configured to support a device;

an impermeable surface below the upper surface of the pallet configured to catch a fluid released from [[a]] the device at a location not visible to a user of the device; and

wherein the upper surface of the pallet is located a distance above the impermeable surface to allow the pallet to be moved by a forklift without damaging the impermeable surface; and

~~a slanted inverted ridge in the impermeable surface, wherein the impermeable surface is at least partially slanted such that a fluid contacting the impermeable surface flows toward the inverted ridge and down the slanted surface to a predetermined location external to the leak diversion device and viewable by [[a]] the user of the device that released the fluid.~~

22. (Currently amended) The leak diversion device of claim 21, further comprising wherein the upper surface of the pallet is a substantially flat permeable surface attached above the slanted surface, wherein fluid released from the device flows past the permeable surface to the slanted surface.

23. (Currently amended) The leak diversion device of claim ~~[[22]]~~ 21, wherein the device is a barrel such that the pallet is configured to support the barrel supported by the substantially flat permeable surface.

24. (Currently amended) The leak diversion device of claim 21, further comprising at least two reinforced sides, ~~wherein the device may be supported by the at least two reinforced sides~~ configured to support the device above the slanted surface.

25. (Original) The leak diversion device of claim 21, further comprising at least one dye tab, wherein at least part of a fluid in contact with the dye tab changes color.

26. (New) The leak diversion device of claim 21, wherein the impermeable surface comprises a slanted inverted ridge such that the fluid contacting the impermeable surface flows toward the inverted ridge and down the slanted surface to the predetermined location external to the leak diversion device and viewable by the user of the device that released the fluid.